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RESPONSE TO EXAMINER'S COMMUNICATION  
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Dear Sir:

110. In response to the official communication dated July 27, 2004, please consider the following remarks. No amendments to the claims are presented herewith. Authorization is hereby given to charge **Deposit Account 50-0996 (GUID.006US01)** all requisite fees incurred by this response, if any, and authorization is given to charge/credit necessary fees/overages to Deposit Account No. 50-0996 (GUID.006US01) as required by this filing.

In the official communication, the Examiner contends that Applicant's reply filed on May 5, 2004 was not fully responsive to the prior Office Action. The Examiner contends that Applicant has not pointed out where support is found for a newly added limitation directed to an atrial arrhythmia threshold. The Examiner further requests that Applicant identify support for new claim 34 regarding a comparison of atrial and ventricular rates.

In response to the Examiner's request, Applicant respectfully draws the Examiner's attention to representative portions of Applicant's disclosure that provide the requisite support for the features discussed on page 2 of the Examiner's official